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In re Patent Application of) MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

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For: REINFORCING BAR BINDER,

WIRE REEL AND METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING WIRE REEL

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 22, 2008, the shortened statutory period for reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: